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Special Prizes at Community School Fair.

Following is a list of winners of special prizes given by the merchants at the school fair held on Friday, October 3rd.

H. E. Oke, best sheaf of wheat

Paul Dyck

H. E. Oke, best sheaf of oats

Paul Dyck

H. E. Oke, best sheaf barley

Paul Dyck

Ray Lantz, grasses and clovers

Ray Charlton

Law's Drug Store, threshed wheat

Ray Charlton

T. B. Scott, threshed oats

Ray Charlton

Roger Barrett, best corn

Muriel Hehn

George Parsons, weed collection

Annie Esau

S. Klejko, best beef calf

Muriel Hehn

Neapolis Dairy Asso., dairy calf

1 Alice Bruce, 2 Muriel Hehn,

3 Harold Pratt

Neapolis Co-op Asso., bacon pig

Alice Bruce

J. Kirby, market lamb

Raymond Fulkerton

J. V. Berscht & Sons, bird house

Willard Swalm

Mac's Hardware, best small piece of furniture

Dick Ball

Mac's Hardware, handy device made of wood

Ray Charlton

Builders' Hardware, model airplane

Jake Harder

Mac's Hardware, fretwork

Elmer Dyck

Adshead Garage, rope halter

Rex Fulkerton

Halliday's Grocery, baking powder biscuits

Ray Charlton

Russell's Bakery

school lunch, 11 and 12 years

Muriel Hehn

J. V. Berscht & Sons, practical apron

Helen Swalm

Ranton's, hemstitched towel

Helen Swalm

Ranton's, best vanity set

Susie Dahl

R.C.A.F. Will Make Recruiting Visit Here.

Listed hereunder are towns which an officer of the R.C.A.F. Recruiting Centre at Calgary, will visit shortly for the purpose of interviewing persons in these districts who are desirous of making application for enlistment in the Royal Canadian Air Force.

Carstairs—Oct. 20th, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Didsbury—Oct. 20th from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Olds—Oct. 21st, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Innisfail—Oct. 21st, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

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WEDDINGS

WALKER—CLARKE

Of interest to many friends in the West was the marriage of Lorna Jane Clarke, only daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Clarke of Didsbury, and John Goodison Walker, only son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Walker of Pincher Creek, which took place at 3 o'clock Saturday, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarke in Didsbury.

The ceremony took place before the fireplace banked with pink and white chrysanthemums and was performed by Rev. J. M. Fawcett of Didsbury.

The bride wore a jersey wool frock in Park Avenue brown, a brown velvet hat with a veil, and brown suede gloves and shoes. Her corsage was of bronze chrysanthemums, white heather and pine cones. Dr. Clarke gave his daughter in marriage.

Mrs. J. N. Ford of Calgary, cousin of the bride, was matron of honor. She wore orchid blue with a black velvet hat and black accessories and a corsage of yellow roses and purple heather.

The flower girl, Jacqueline Ford carried the flower basket which was used at the bride's mother's wedding, filled with pale pink and white chrysanthemums. She was dressed in apple green velvet with a hair corsage of white chrysanthemums.

Lt. Lorne Oatway of Edmonton was best man, and the soloist was Capt. George Wry of Moncton, N.B. Mrs. Jack Farrell of Edmonton played the wedding Music.

Betty Jean Hamilton, Joyce Farrell and Jack Farrell, Jr., opened the door and attended the guests.

At the reception which followed Mrs. Clarke wore an air traveller blue crepe moutain gown with accessories to match, and a circular corsage of sweetheart roses. Mrs. Walker, mother of the groom, was in dusty rose crepe with harmonizing accessories and a corsage of roses.

The bridal table was appointed with a white damask cloth and silver, and centered with a five tiered wedding cake iced in shell pink. White tapers were lighted in silver holders.

Mrs. G. A. Nixon of Edmonton, and Mrs. Bruce Farrell of Edmonton poured, and Miss Margaret Trizzel of Edmonton, Miss Aileen Aylsworth of Calgary, Miss Betty Barrett, Miss Scott Hamilton of Edmonton, Mrs. R. Barrett and Mrs. H. C. Leisemer assisted at suppettine.

Later Lt. and Mrs. Walker left for Calgary and Banff. For travelling the bride wore a black wool crepe dress and black coat, both mini trimmed. Her hat, shoes, and accessories were chosen to match.

Both bride and groom attended the University of Alberta. Mrs. Walker is a member of Phi Beta Psi sorority and Lt. Walker of Zeta Psi. They will make their home in Red Deer upon their return.

Ed Leisemer had the misfortune to get injured on Saturday when he fell under the combine while harvesting on his farm. Several ribs were broke and he was badly bruised. It is hoped that he did not suffer internal injuries.

Proceeds With Hospital Scheme.

The Hospital Scheme announced some time ago is definitely going to be proceeded with.

A charter under the Benevolent Societies Act has been obtained and name The Western View Health Society has been chosen.

An organization meeting was held in Olds on Tuesday evening of this week and the following officers were appointed:

President, H. L. Taggart, Olds
Vice-President, A. E. Ford,
Didsbury
Sec.-Treas., S. Edwards, Olds

Letters outlining the scheme will be sent out in the near future to every resident in the Carstairs, Didsbury and Olds districts.

Several meetings will be held to discuss the plan during the week of November 12th to 21st, places and times to be announced later.

A full outline of the plan will appear in next week's issue.

The directors appointed were S. Edwards, Olds
H. L. Taggart, Olds
C. R. Pickett, Olds
W. H. Miller, Olds

A. E. Ford, Didsbury
Mrs. E. B. Parker, Didsbury
F. W. Ahlgren, Didsbury
J. H. Robertson, Westcott
A. H. Gough, Carstairs
J. H. Ure, Carstairs

Red Cross Shipments April to Sept. 30

Following is a list of the articles shipped by the local Red Cross branch from April to September 30.

REFUGEE CHILDREN

Girls'	Boys'
8 sweaters	54 trousers
108 dresses	20 Blazers
25 blouses	37 hose
24 coats	28 shirts
42 bloomers	13 pullovers
15 slips	54 pyjamas
25 skirts	3 sweaters
60 pyjamas	20 coats
10 hats	10 pants
17 cardigans	8 windbreakers
1 pr. bedroom slippers	2 pr. hose

Women's Army Service

1 sweater	
7 cardigans	
12 pullovers	
12 pairs socks	

ARMY

125 pairs socks	
30 pairs mitts	
1 pair gloves	
80 personal bags	
18 scarves	
24 sweaters	
6 pair Pyjamas	

Hospital & Miscellaneous

51 quilts	
15 pairs sheets	
63 towels	
12 surgical gowns	
52 pillow cases	

DIDS BURY MARKETS

BUTTERFAT

Delivered Basis at Crystal Dairy	
Special	30c
No. 1	28c
No. 2	28c
Table cream	42c

EGGS

Grade A Large	31c
Grade A Medium	29c
Pullet	28c
Grade B	21c
Grade C	15c

Grain Club Team Get Second Place

The team representing the Didsbury Junior Grain Club, Cyril Brooke and Harold Burns, were awarded first place and a trip to Edmonton to take part in the finals, at the elimination contest held at Olds last Wednesday. The Nanton club was awarded 2nd, Brooks third and Vaux Hall fourth.

In the Provincial final, at Edmonton on Saturday, they were only able to reach second place, being beaten by the Drumheller Club in a very close contest. As winner of the competition the Drumheller club will represent Alberta in the Canadian finals to be held at the Toronto Winter Fair.

Restrictions on Installment Buying

The Dominion Government took a tighter hold today on the pocket books of the people by ordering drastic restrictions on installment buying and borrowing to divert more production and a bigger share of the national income to the war effort.

The restrictions put into effect by the wartime prices and trade board took effect last Tuesday, October 13 the day after the Thanksgiving holiday.

Not only sales of retail stores are effected, but also the operations of all lending institutions, so far as installment credit transactions are concerned.

Following are the most important regulations:

1. Down payment on any goods affected by the order, other than private automobiles, must be at least one-third of the total cash price and never less than \$10 at the time of delivery. The balance must be paid in full within 12 months, with minimum monthly payments of \$5 each.

2. The minimum down payment on automobiles must be 50 percent of the cash price. The balance must be paid in full within 12 months on cars costing less than \$500 and 18 months on cars costing more.

Another Enemy

With King Winter on the threshold and the season of greatest fire hazards approaching now is the time to give serious thought to the evil consequences of carelessness in the handling of one of the most beneficial and at the same time one of the most dangerous of the elements essential to civilized life.

It requires very little reflection to appreciate the beneficence which fire has bestowed upon mankind and there is no necessity here to enumerate its advantages or to speculate upon what civilization would be without it. But there is good cause to reflect upon the evils which it can, and unfortunately, too often does, bring in its train due to human frailty in the form of ignorance or negligence.

Every year millions of dollars go up in smoke to the great godfire, on this continent. Last year, property having an estimated value of \$300,000,000 was destroyed by uncontrolled fire in the United States. Proportionately the property loss in Canada from the same cause was comparable and Western Canada contributed her share to this unnecessary sacrifice.

It would be bad enough if only property were immolated on this sacrificial altar, but it does not end here. Valuable lives are being lost every year as carelessness with fire takes toll of human as well as material resources.

The term "unnecessary sacrifice" has been used in reviewing these losses. That the phrase is justifiable is readily demonstrated when one analyses the figures released by government agencies and takes note of the causes responsible for this terrible waste.

The Big Five

Public enemy No. 1 in the prairie provinces in 1940 was carelessness in handling smoking materials—tobacco, cigarettes and cigars and for a number of years the careless smoker has headed the list as the responsible agent for heaviest fire loss in the Canadian west. Defective stoves and furnaces rank next in the black list, while playing with matches, overheated chimneys and pipes and careless handling of petroleum products follow in sequence of their evil import.

One has only to scan the list of the big five to discern that there is ample warranty for declaring that carelessness and ignorance are the root cause of this needless waste and sacrifice and to state unhesitatingly that practically all of it could have been avoided with the exercise of a little commonsense, care and forethought.

While the careless smoker is a menace the year round, and possibly this is the reason that he heads the list, some of the other hazards listed as primary causes of uncontrolled fire are amplified many fold during the winter season just at hand, and especially is this true of defective stoves and furnaces and overheated chimneys and pipes. Possibly the careless handling of petroleum products may be listed as an acute winter hazard when one remembers how often, far too often, a sluggish fire in the kitchen stove is prodded into action by a dash of coal oil and even the still more dangerous gasoline.

Because of these increased dangers during the winter months now is the time for the occupant of every farm and every home in hamlet, village and town to check over furnaces, stoves and pipes, repair all defects and to make a solemn resolution to eschew the use of coal oil or gasoline to speed up a recalcitrant fire.

More Important In War

These are important precautions to take not only in winter but throughout the year. They are important measures in peace time, but in war time their importance is multiplied many times over. At a time when the nation is conserving, and must conserve, all its assets in manpower and materials to wage a desperate war against the forces of evil, every life lost by fire, every dollar that goes up in smoke is an aid to the brutal Hitler and his Nazi hordes. Let it not be forgotten that loss of life and property are of tangible assistance to the enemy.

For this reason, if for no other, efforts to prevent loss by fire should be redoubled and no stone should be left unturned to make loss from this cause impossible. As already indicated, the risk is much greater during the next few months than in the summer and is greater while we are at war than in times of peace, even after discounting sabotage possibilities.

In the small towns and villages much of the fire fighting equipment is manned by voluntary forces. Enlistments in the army, the navy and the air force have necessarily impaired the experienced personnel available to quench a conflagration. Hence, because of the war, danger from fire has been increased and it behoves those who have not fared forth in uniform to take every precaution to prevent a fire breaking out and to be prepared to adequately cope with fire if someone is careless enough to let it break out.

Newsprint paper has second place among all Canadian exports to India.

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South Africa's New Stamps

South Africa's new war issue of postage stamps are in eight issues depicting women's war activities, infantry, nursing services, air force, seaward defence, artillery, war production and mechanized units.

A pair of shells of the Australian giant clam used as holy water fonts at St. Sulpice, Paris, weigh 500 pounds.

Plans For Post-War Emigration

Very Heavy Influx From Britain To Canada Is Foreseen

Officials of the British Dominions Emigration Society announce that they are already laying plans for a mass wave of emigration from Britain to Canada immediately after the war.

Founded some 60 years ago as a philanthropic organization, the first purpose of the British Dominions Emigration Society was to assist settlers in Canada to reunion with their families. Though its activities have necessarily had to be suspended since the outbreak of war, it is fully expected that larger numbers than ever before will apply for passage assistance immediately after the cessation of hostilities.

It is realized that one of Canada's immediate needs after the war will be immigration from the British Isles. Many adventurous spirits will first strike out alone, leaving their families temporarily in Britain, and the Emigration Society expects many calls to be made upon it to assist wives and children join their husbands and fathers. This is the particular purpose for which the organization was originally founded and the Society is now laying its plans to see that that necessary assistance will be forthcoming in as many cases as possible.

Apart from the various privations and dangers that were faced by the settlers of two and three generations ago, one of their major difficulties was to establish themselves, build their new homes, support their families in England and, at the same time, save sufficient money to bring their families to the new land.

The British Dominions Emigration Society was formed by a group of charitably minded citizens to assist in the reunion of these families by advancing loans without interest charges.

More than 40,000 families have been assisted and hundreds of thousands of people now in Canada owe their presence to the work of this organization.

Its activities have stirred the warm commendation of many British and Canadian Government officials and, most recently, for the continuance of its work and the promise of further assistance to future immigrants, the earnest congratulations of the Canadian Premier, the Rt. Hon. Mackenzie King.

The head office of the society is in London, England, and the Canadian manager is R. Gordon Burgoine, whose office is located in Montreal.

Ban On Swiss Trade

Britain Can No Longer Continue To Permit Passage Of Material

The British ministry of economic warfare announced Britain no longer could continue the limited facilities which heretofore have accorded passage of material for Switzerland's industry through the sea blockade and across enemy territory.

A statement said the action was taken because of the terms of a recent commercial agreement between Switzerland and Germany.

It said the British government appreciated the difficulties of the position of Switzerland, a land-locked neutral, and would continue to give facilities within limits for imports for foodstuffs and other goods for strictly domestic consumption.

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2:30 "—Preaching service
7:45 "—Preaching service, including Young Peoples' meeting on alternate Sundays.
Wednesdays, 8 p.m.—Prayer service

UNITED
Rev. J. M. Fawcett, Minister
11:00 a.m.—Sunday School
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship
Westcott 11 a.m. Westerdale 3 p.m.

EVANGELICAL
Rev. A. M. Amacher, B. A. Pastor
Sundays:
10:30 a.m.—Morning Worship
11:30 "—Sunday school
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship
Wednesdays, 8 p.m.—Prayer meeting

LUTHERAN
Rev. Albert F. Reiner, Pastor
Westcott: 11:00 a.m. Every Sunday.
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Drive for Dollar Wheat Is Gaining

OTTAWA.—The current western drive for dollar wheat is gaining considerable headway and belief exists here that federal authorities may meet the demand considerably better than half way.

The compromise figure most widely rumored on Capital Hill is 90 cents a bushel.

The official announcement, however, is not expected before the return of Agriculture Minister J. G. Gardiner from the west as well as Trade Minister J. A. MacKinnon from his South American mission.

MacKinnon, who now administers Canada's Grain Act, is not due back in Ottawa before next month.

Meanwhile, the drive of the prairie pools to have the growers share in the price rise that virtually has affected every phase of Canadian economy except wheat is being carried on apace and there is plenty of evidence that it has caught the ear of the ministry.

Pools Advance**4-Point Policy**

WINNIPEG.—Officials of the Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta wheat pools Saturday announced the adoption at a meeting here of a resolution requesting "The Canadian Federation of Agriculture to make representations to . . . the Dominion government" urging that agriculture "be enabled to make the fullest contribution to the national war effort" by institution of a four-point policy.

The resolution outlined the four points as follows:

1. Experienced labor should not be drawn from the farmers into other kinds of service, to the extent that farming operations are seriously impaired.

2. Farm income should be increased either by subsidies or regulated prices to the point where wages can be paid sufficiently attractive to keep experienced labor on the farms.

3. Where the export of any farm commodity is restricted compensation should be provided by the setting of a domestic price.

4. Creation of an agricultural board composed of representatives of the government and organized agriculture for the purpose of adequately organizing agricultural effort to the end that its part in national war service may be a real factor in the achievement of victory.

Books for Our Forces in Canada and Newfoundland

Special arrangements have been made by the Canadian Post Office Department to facilitate the sending of books to Canadian Forces in camps in Canada and in Newfoundland. The value attached by soldiers, sailors and airmen to a plentiful supply of books in their reading rooms, etc., has been stressed both by the men themselves and by those who have visited their camps. Good, interesting books are always in demand and it is highly important that the supply should be frequently replenished.

Honourable William P. Mulock, K.C., M.P., Postmaster General, announces that in the interest of our soldiers, sailors and airmen stationed in Canada and Newfoundland, and as a special measure of co-operation, all Post Offices throughout the country will act as depositing centres for books. This applies to books only—not to magazines, newspapers, etc.

Persons who wish to supply our Forces with much appreciated reading matter now may hand in these volumes at their Post Office—the books donated should be clean and in good condition. It will not even be necessary to wrap them as they will be placed in mail bags specially provided for the purpose.

Citizens can ensure that men in camps in Canada and in Newfoundland will receive the full benefit of this privilege by going to their book shelves and picking out books and handing them in at the Post Office, which will arrange for delivery to the various training camps—where they will be welcomed with interest and will relieve the monotony of the boys in Canada's Forces, especially during the Fall and Winter seasons.

Combines Now Handle 60 P.C. of Acreage

There's a whole bookful of implications and assumptions in the estimate made by the Alberta Hail Insurance Board during recent weeks.

Conducting probably the first check-up of its kind, the organization found that 60 per cent of seeded wheat acreage in the province, Peace River excluded, was or is to be combined.

In the first place, use of the combine has spread far beyond the flat prairie limits of the south. In fact the machine is now being used well north of Edmonton, where probably the greatest difficulty is manipulating it around and between stumps and tree clumps.

The figures also tell the major reason why so little of Alberta's crop has been threshed. Even in the far south there are fields awaiting the combine, while those bordering the brush country are in the same classification.

\$270,000 Going Out in Hail Insurance

Alberta farmers who suffered hail loss during the past season and carried insurance with the Alberta Hail Insurance Board presently are going to receive a sizable bundle of cash—approximately \$270,000. It represents payment in full of claims of 30 per cent and under and 50 per cent of those in excess of the 30 per cent.

Insofar as 1941 losses are concerned, the year was a bad one. During the season there were 49 days in which hail slashed some crop, somewhere in the province.

Total claims to be paid amount to \$448,642.37. That figure is roughly \$20,000 less than 1940 but offsetting the decline is a drop of almost \$200,000 in premium income.

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Britain Has Learned To Eat Sensibly, Mainly Due To War-Time Restrictions

(By Victoria Chappelle)

It has taken a war to make the British people eat sensibly. Dieticians and doctors had warned for years that the national diet contained too much meat and too few properly-cooked vegetables, too much white bread and too few salads. Then Hitler intervened, and to-day the entire nation is being fed on a basis which is as near scientific as makes no odds.

Meat is cut to a minimum, but that loss can be made good by eating fish rich in fats, such as herrings. Vegetables, which are being grown by everyone who owns even the smallest patch of ground, have been popularized by skilful government advice on various ways of cooking them.

The sale of natural wholemeal bread, containing 100 per cent. of the wheat germ, is going up rapidly. For those who hesitate at a complete change-over from white bread there is a national wheat-meal loaf in which 85 per cent. of the wheat berry is used instead of the usual 75 per cent., thus retaining nearly all the vital germ.

Milk has long been supplied free or at very low prices for expectant mothers and those with children under five years, and the use of oatmeal, cooked in every imaginable way, is strongly advocated.

It will be seen from all this that the Government is making the most of a magnificent opportunity to raise the stamina of the nation. It is educating the housewife to the importance and relative uses of body-building energy-giving and protective foods, and showing her how to build up a balanced diet for herself and her family. Demonstrators are busy all over the country in collaboration with the Ministry of Health, who have sought the advice and assistance of the finest dieticians in the country. It is now obvious from the lack of illnesses and epidemics expected last winter how the nation as a whole has benefited.

One of the drawbacks the nation has had to overcome is the lack of fruit. During the years of peace, Britain had become a great fruit-eating country, owing mainly to the introduction of cheap fruit from the Dominions and the Colonies. To offset the lack of these, Lord Horder, the King's physician, advised plenty of green vegetables and potatoes in which we get more than an adequate supply of the vitamin C provided by oranges. It is the bottom-fed baby who needs the oranges, not the adult.

One of the discoveries of war-time Britain is the carrot. In peace-time, something of a Cinderella among root vegetables, it was found during the first winter to cure night-blindsight, one of the discoveries of the blackout. From that moment it began to be popular. Doctors believe that its use has had a good deal to do with the nation's high standard of health since the war began, for in addition to its high content of vitamin A, it contains an enormous amount of sugar. Moreover, the green tops are rich in the anti-scurvy vitamin C. Because of all this, carrots are now being used for salads, sandwiches, and sweet puddings. Washed and clean, they are even bought by children in the shelters instead of sweets.

The children are all the better for their new diet, especially perhaps for the lack of ordinary sweets.

The Royal Navy

The great tribute paid by Prime Minister Winston Churchill to the British submarine service is thoroughly deserved. Thirty of these craft have been lost since the start of the war, and when a submarine is reported lost, it nearly always means the whole crew is lost too. This is the most dangerous branch of the naval service, yet officers and men are keen to enter it. Such is the spirit of the Royal Navy. Ed. monitor Journal.

The head of business of the United States is its seventh largest industry.

Built A New Life

Remarkable Story About Man Who Was Blinded In Last War

The editor of the Overseas Daily Mail writes: With a widow and two fine sons he had never seen standing by the graveside, a very remarkable man was buried at Church Stretton, Shropshire. Edmund Toft was one of London's best known osteopaths. He went into the last war as a youth in its earliest days, and was one of the first men blinded.

St. Dunstan's received him for training. About that time pretty 18-year-old Mlle. Violette Duche, from Alsace, volunteered to assist in teaching Braille to war-blinded soldiers.

She found among her pupils Edmund Toft, only a year older than herself.

She found him one day, after they had known each other for some time, sitting with his face buried in his hands. Kneeling by his side she put her arms about him.

As she knelt he told her that he loved her, and of the hopelessness he felt. There is hope she told him, and quietly she persuaded him that she would feel it no sacrifice on her part to marry him. Four years later they were married.

He developed into a very remarkable personality. He came originally from the North of England, and although he had never been in London before he lost his sight, he could describe the scenes, the buildings, the parks, and the streets better than most men who could see them.

I remember him telling me how, when he stepped out of St. Dunstan's into the world, blind, for the first time, he was determined that he would conquer helplessness. He stepped out even on the first day disdaining assistance. He narrowly escaped death, but he conquered fear of the darkness.

As the years passed he grew to know his way about London with the most extraordinary exactitude. He not only knew every corner, but he knew what every corner looked like.

He played bridge well, was widely read and followed the affairs of the world with astonishing closeness. He loved the theatre and, strangely enough, the cinema. He could describe the last new film with such detail that he made you want to see it also.

Broad and more than six feet tall, he had the build of an athlete. He became a strong swimmer.

His sense of touch and hearing were bewildering. He could tell the difference between a pound note and a ten-shilling note if you rustled it for an instant between your fingers.

His memory was equally astonishing. He and I were modernizing houses at the same time.

I suggested that his wife might

visit mine to find ideas. Weeks later he described to me the interior of

my house with more detail than I could have myself. Years later, in another talk about houses, he repeated the description.

In spite of his blindness, I never knew him to be unhappy. He had made his life full, and he enjoyed it.

On his mantelshelf there stood always photographs of the two sons he had never seen. One is now aged 16 and the other 14. His pride in them was boundless. He loved you to tell him how his they looked.

When the war broke out, at the urgent request of Sir Ian Fraser, chairman of St. Dunstan's, he closed his practice near Cavendish Square to act as teacher to the newly blinded.

I know that the reconstruction of

lives broken as his had been was

work that he would consider the greatest of all.

He died at the early age of 46.

His new life ended in St. Dunstan's hospital as it had begun.

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Visit To Spitsbergen

Writer Describes Impressions Of This Northern Terrain

I was at Spitsbergen three years ago this summer. No overcoat was needed, but a pullover was comfortable. The sun shone all day long and all night long. It was bewildering, intoxicating, that there was no night there, just the sun circling around the blue bowl of the sky like a golden bead caught in blue crystals.

Flowers bloomed in Spitsbergen, tiny little masses of mauve, like our ground phlox growing from moss, and sparkling gems of yellow, also set against a brown-green moss-like background.

Terns laid their eggs among the flowers and hatched their young there, and battered me about the head with their brave white wings, to drive me away and keep me from treading, unwillingly, on their invisible offspring. You could not see the little ones among the turf.

All was silent as at Creation, save for the tinkling trickle of the melting icebergs and the piping of terns and eider ducks. The silence hung like a benediction over Magdalena Bay. Four hundred of us landed there and began to scamper about the shingly beach and shout. The silence folded up our thin human piping like tissuepaper crumpling. We could not hear ourselves shout above the silence of the glaciers and the splendor of the midnight sun.

In winter it's a different story in Spitsbergen. Night is six months long. The islands—there are many—are only approachable three months in the year. They lie locked in hundreds of miles of ice for nine months, and for six they are in continuous darkness, the pole star, high overhead, their candle.

The Norwegians got Spitsbergen finally from the League of Nations or Hague Tribunal, principally because no one else wanted it, and they rather froze their fingers holding it. There are coal mines in the islands. At King's Bay we saw thousands of tons of coal piled up for shipment. The mines were not then working, for the demand for coal of that quality was not high.

Around in Long Year City, the largest settlement, Russians—mostly political prisoners, sentenced by the Soviet as to Siberia—were picking and hacking at the coal, and some was being shipped out. Norway thought so little of her prize that she had leased her mines to the Russians to work on long terms. Long Year City, is well named. The years spent there by the exiles from Moscow must be the longest in eternity.

Five days, for instance, from the date on which the training establishment was first suggested by the Ordnance Corps staff, all approvals had been granted by Ottawa. Soldier-students were immediately detailed and began travelling toward London from as far west as Esquimalt, Medicine Hat and Lethbridge.

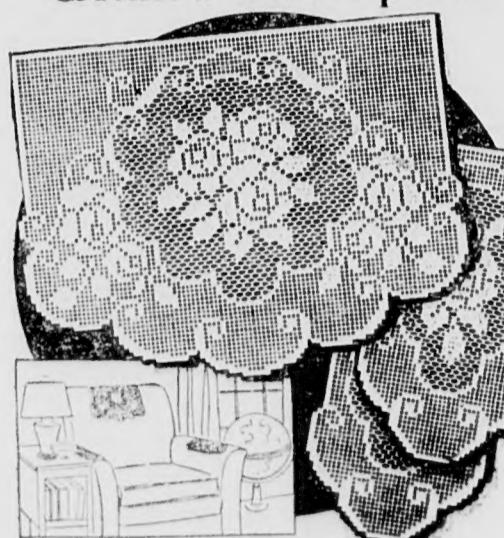
Twenty days from the first proposal, the Anderson Organization of Los Angeles, Cal., had a complete staff of 37 instructors on hand, together with Diesel and gasoline engines ignition and fuel injection models and charts and other shop and classroom facilities. That day 200 men began training. Thirty days from the start saw 500 future tank, truck and carrier mechanics in attendance.

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Headquarters of the Canadian school is situated in Queen's Park, London, home of the Western Fall Fair, and a new, modern plant has been taken over on the outskirts of London for operation of the classes.

The syllabus of training is designed in each phase to produce mechanics who will be able to operate, service, maintain or repair any type of tracked or wheeled vehicle now in use in the Canadian Army. They will be the trouble-shooters for the vehicles of their corps, able to handle any work in a motor repair lorry or base workshop. Graduates will proceed to the maintenance depots of the tank regiments of the armored corps, the carrier units of the infantry and machine-gunner, the trucks, tractors and trailers of the artillery, engineers, army service corps and ordnance.

The system of tuition is based on minimum of theory and a maximum of practical work—with actual army tools and army vehicles. All students have already had considerable training in motor mechanics at industrial and technical schools, and many consider themselves skilled garagemen before they start. The Anderson instructors claim, however, that the course at London "begins where most other motor-mechanic's courses end," and that "no matter how good a mechanic or garageman thinks he is, he'll know more when he's finished."

Mountie Dog Is Dead

Was Considered The Best Canine Policeman In Canada

Dale of Cawalta, regimental No. 470, of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, is dead. The first police dog to be used by the Mounted Police was put to sleep when a growth became too painful. He was 12 years old and was considered the best canine policeman in Canada.

He was the property of Det. Sgt. J. N. Cawsey, of C.B.I. branch, R.C.M.P., Calgary, before he joined the force. Dale was "pensioned" off in August, 1939.

One of Dale's most spectacular pieces of work was done in October, 1938, when the "Mounties" were on the trail of two gunmen, Pete Woykin and John Kalmakoff, suspected of slaying two officers in Saskatchewan. Dale helped search in the mountains and found the trail near Canmore, Alta. The gunmen, who were killed during the fight, shot two officers who died shortly after.

On another occasion, while stationed at Maidstone, Sask., Dale picked up the trail of an old man, Harry Buskey, lost from his farm home for 20 hours.

He was presented with a medal of honor by the Dog World, a famous Chicago publication, for tracking down a 16-month-old baby, who was found smothered under thick grain on a farm, during a blinding rain storm.

Locomotives For Turkey

British Engineers Have Order For Sixty-Eight Engines

British locomotive engineers are now building 24 railways engines for Turkey. They are part of an order for 68 locomotives for that country.

The engines weigh 106½ tons each and their speed is 70 kilometres an hour. Thirty-four locomotives, nearly £250,000 in value, were sent overseas from Britain in the three months ending June 30, seven more than during the preceding quarter. During the quarter Britain also shipped 18 locomotive boilers abroad, a total of 56, valued at about £110,000 for the first half of the year.

Not only is the whale the largest living animal, but the largest ever known to exist.

The great curving tusks of the ancient mammoths were the longest teeth nature ever produced.



DAUGHTER OF DESTINY

—BY—

Eleanor Alterbury Colton

CHAPTER XXVII.

For an instant that stretched into infinity, Devona and Talbot faced each other across that handsome room. A clock ticked sonorously somewhere. Devona realized. And a muffled thudding that must be of her own heart pounded like distant kettle drums.

She waited, scarcely breathing, searching for the right word, the right gesture—

"Well?" Talbot finally broke the spell himself with a quietness that she had, a few moments ago, mistaken for calm reasonableness. "Why did you come back? This isn't going to be pretty."

Devona moistened dry lips, tried to match that false calm with real control. "I had to come back."

"No you didn't. And you'd better run along now. Surely a man has a right to—his lips twisted—" his own decisions."

"No, not in this decision." She took a step toward him, flinched as she saw his fingers tighten around the gun's handle. "Not when it involves others."

"Fortunately, this decision doesn't involve any one but myself. Except," he added dryly, "as it relieves them of responsibilities."

"But it does, Tal. It involves all of us."

"All of whom?"

"Every one who loves you."

He shrugged. "Dale, maybe. But I'm a drag around his neck. He'll be better off. Otherwise, there's no one."

"Yes, there is. We all love you—I do, Tal." That reached him almost. Instinctively she knew she'd touched him finally. "You mustn't do this—to me."

The taut fingers on the gun but relaxed a little. "Do you mean that, Devona?"

"But—of course, Tal." It was worth it, that little lie, she assured herself watching him drop the gun slowly onto the desk. Besides, it wasn't exactly a lie. She did love him—for himself, for the traits he

shared with his brother, for his need of her. Not the way she loved, had loved—Dale. Still—

"Devona—you mean—" Tal's grim face relaxed, almost imperceptibly at first, changed from despair to heartbreaking hopefulness.

Mute now with relief, Devona nodded, held out her arms to him. In the next moment he'd crossed the room to her, gathered her convulsively into his arms.

"Oh, my darling. Oh, my God, Devona. You don't know what this means Devona, I love you. I've wanted you. I need you, my sweet."

The door, which had stood open since that terrible moment that Devona had flung it wide, closed softly now. The sound of its latch jerked at their attention.

Still holding her close, Tal spoke over her shoulder.

"Hello, Dale."

For an instant Devona stared straight ahead at Tal's satin lapel. An instant in which she tried to discipline the expression on her face, regiment the routed emotions fleeing now like some ragged army through her mind. When she turned, she met the strange smile on Dale's lips, heard a note of—could it be hatred—in his voice.

"Well—sounds as if congratulations were in order, Tal."

"I'll say!" Tal's face was a study in proud delight. "And what's the idea of busting in on a guy when he's right in the midst of his proposing?"

Dale managed a grin. "Sorry, old man, I had no idea you were up to that."

"Neither did I—until just now." Tal hugged her close, smiled down at her. "May I present the future Mrs. Brasher," he said. Then laughing, he amended, "The future Mrs. Talbot Brasher, I should say."

Unfaltering, Devona met Dale's glance as it travelled from Tal's jubilant face to her own trembling smile.

"Congratulations, Tal," Dale said, but he looked at her. "And my very best wishes for your happiness."

But Dale's eyes were bafflingly masked. He only smiled carelessly as Tal burst out of the room shouting, "Abbot! Hey, there, Abbot! Open that champagne. Both bottles. We're celebrating, Abbot! Where the devil is that—"

As Tal's steps thundered down the hall, Devona and Dale faced each other across a widening chasm of silence. Finally Dale bridged it with a sarcastic:

"So it's to be—Mrs. Talbot Brasher."

Obviously he hadn't seen—he didn't understand! She wanted to sink into that chasm and pull it over her head. "Yes," she managed quietly. "Talbot needs me."

Perhaps it was better this way. For Tal's sake, Dale had better not know about—about the gun.

"And I presume—" Dale bowed a little, "you need him too?"

"Of course." Quick loyalty to Tal, to her own promise to him, prompted her as head high, she met Dale's challenge levelly. "I love him," she added quietly.

"I see. Isn't it rather—sudden?"

She flushed, her eyes lowered, defeated for the moment before the savage assault of Dale's sarcasm.

"I—I—" she stammered help-

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lessly, bit her lips as words refused to come.

"I didn't know you had ambitions in his direction."

That stung her pride out of its muteness. "What do you mean?"

"I mean that for an ambitious little girl like yourself, I'd rather assumed marriage would have to have a handsome price tag attached. And—" His smile was like a smart slap in the face. "If you didn't know, you should be told now that the Brasher fortune is practically non-existent."

"Surprised! I don't wonder! But you see—it's this way. What the depression didn't do to us, this little plunge into backing Tal's play, finished up. We're broke, my dear little future sister-in-law. So—lest you be letting yourself in for something—"

Fury swept a crimson flood-tide into her cheeks as Devona took a step toward him, her slim fists clenched, her words coming low and even as she lashed out at him.

"You're despicable. You're attributing to me, and to Tal, your own contemptible motives. I love Tal. I'll marry him for that reason—and for no other."

"Good!" Dale applauded dryly, leaned one elbow against the fireplace mantel with magnificent carelessness. "And let's hope you really mean that. Tal couldn't stand another blow, I suppose you realize. Or—would anything like that really concern you?"

She clutched a chair back to keep her hands from flying to his smiling, sarcastic face. "I realize it—perfectly. I shan't let him down."

"Again—good!" His eyes travelled slowly from her face, down the length of her soft velvet gown, to the points of her pretty slippers, and then back. "At that, it will be one way to advance your career, won't it?"

So that's what he thought. Just

a cheap opportunist! Devona's rage turned to dust in her throat. Distrusting her, Dale was only fighting her this way to protect Tal from what he probably believed was unscrupulous selfishness. How could she make him see that—

"Please believe me Dale. It's not my career—it's Tal's I'll work for now. You're so wrong about—"

"We shall see." Dale shrugged and then as Tal's footsteps sounded again in the hall outside, he turned to her, his face grim, his voice lowered.

"If you do let him down, if you add one iota to the agony he's just been through, by all the gods, Devona Raebourne, I'll kill you. He's the only brother I've got and I happen to care more about what happens to him than anything else. Understand that? Or can you?"

Mute, she nodded, fought back tears.

"If you don't mean it when you say you love him—" Dale's eyes blazed—"then I'm warning you to clear out while there's yet time."

"I—"

But Tal's hilarious return spared her an answer. Carrying a tray of thin-stemmed glasses and champagne in a silver ice bucket, he kicked open the door, strode triumphantly into the room.

"You play bartender, Dale," he commanded and, turning, swept Devona into his arms again. "What do you think of my bride-to-be, old man? Isn't she—" his eyes devoured her, "gorgeous?"

"Very," Dale agreed dryly, picked up the silver handled bottle opener.

"And to think I found out she loved me on Just the night I needed to know it more than anything else," he added, seriously, as he held her close. Then, releasing her, he stamped across the room. "You know, Dale, that play's lousy. I know it, too. I'm not sap enough to believe in it now. But it has possibilities. I'll do another. As Devona says. A better one. By heavens, I will. And I'll make those darned critics eat every word they're rushing off to get printed right this minute. Won't I, darling?" Crossing to her again, he gave her chin a little shake, kissed the top of her nose lightly.

Smiling, she nodded. "Of course you will."

"And I'll pay you back. Dale—all your share of the estate that's gone up with this mess." Tal's face was flushed, eager.

Dale poured the bubbling champagne with a steady hand. "Forget that. It was a gamble I took with my eyes open. We lost. That's all."

"But next time we won't lose," Tal insisted. "With Devona beside me now—"

"Yes. With Devona"—Dale handed her a brimming glass—"you should really—get places."

"A toast, Dale," Tal prompted, lifting his glass. "You propose the first one."

Dale lifted his glass. "To my future sister-in-law—and may her every ambition be realized."

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Choosing An Occupation

Says Sons Usually Follow In Footsteps Of Father

The old adage "like father, like son" was borne out by Ruth E. Eckert, associate professor of education at the University of Minnesota, at the annual University of Chicago conference on business education.

Citing recent studies indicating the close relationship between a boy's progress, both in and out of school, and the occupation of his father, Miss Eckert said:

"A study in Maryland disclosed that more than eight times as large a proportion of young people whose fathers were in the unskilled labor group left school and went to work before they were 16 years old as was the case with youth whose fathers were professional, or technical workers."

The study also indicated that if a boy's father has a low income job the odds are three to one against the boy rising to a white collar level. Conversely, the study showed that the chances of falling from a white collar job to a lower income level are four to one.

There is more than one "United States" in the world. Others are the United States of Mexico, United States of Colombia and the United States of Brazil.

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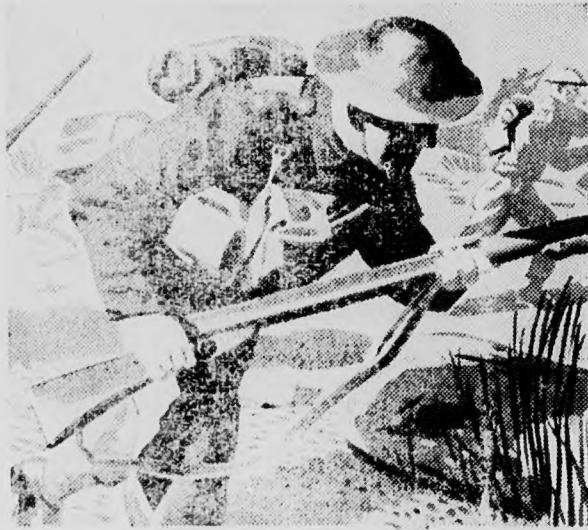
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LOCAL & GENERAL

Mrs. Kelvin Shannon spent the holiday weekend at Vermillion.

Mrs. Watson of Calgary is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. A. W. Reiber.

Mr. C. W. Gibbs, of Edmonton, was renewing acquaintances here and visiting friends last week.

L.A.C. Lewis Spraggs, who took his flying service training at Curry Field, Calgary, was one of the class to receive their wings on Tuesday.

A.C. George Kercher, who was at the manning pool at Edmonton, has been transferred to Regina for initial training.

Lawrence Gabel who is with the Safeway store at Red Deer, was home over the weekend.

A.C. Goldwyn Gabel who is with the Air Force at Regina, was home on leave over the weekend. He drove back to Regina on Sunday.

Dance at Melvin Hall on Oct. 31, in aid of the Red Cross and Xmas Tree entertainment fund Good music.

Mens heavy Winter Work Shirts \$1.50 up, at Scotts.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Morrow and daughter of Calgary were visiting at the Reiber home over the weekend.

Pres. Leslie Sheils and Jack Garner who are attached to District 13 Depot at Calgary, were home on leave last weekend.

Dr. Welgan drove to Brooks on Monday on a hunting trip and was successful in getting his limit in Chinese pheasants.

Mrs. Curtis J. Altke, of Drumheller visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McCoy over the weekend and attended the Clarke—Walker wedding.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. Devins, and Miss Vera Sinclair of Calgary, spent Thanksgiving with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Sinclair.

The 15th Light Horse will hold their annual Dance at the Didsbury Opera House on Wednesday, Oct. 29, with the "Red Aces" six piece orchestra supplying the music.

"Shepherd of the Hills," from Harold Bell Wright's famous novel appears at the Didsbury Theatre this week. This is a real family picture and will be enjoyed by young and old alike. Don't miss it!

Jim Caithness and Jack McCloy were lucky hunters on Monday. They bagged 5 Canadian Geese in a small slough near Allingham.

Ed Watkins was successful in winning a 3rd and 4th prize with mink he exhibited at the Southern Alberta Fur Breeders Association Field Day which was held at Calgary on Monday.

On Friday, October 24, at 8 p.m. in the United Church, the C.G.I.T. are sponsoring a "Circus Party." Included in the fun will be side shows and animal exhibits, freaks and many other attractions. Come and bring your family and friends.

Al Thomas, who has been with Halliday's Grocery for many years, has taken a position with Jenkins' Grocery at Olds and started his new duties today (Thursday). Mr. Thomas will be greatly missed in town especially in the boy scout circle, having been scout leader ever since the group started.

Mens heavy Wool Work Sox, 3 pairs for \$1.00 at Scotts.

Britain to Pay More for Bacon

The Canadian bacon board last night announced the top price per 100 pounds of grade A No. 1 sizeable Wiltshire sides which Canada will supply to Britain under the new bacon agreement will be \$19.80, at Canadian Seaboard.

This compares with the top of \$19.60 reached under the 1940-41 agreement which called for shipment of 425,000,000 pounds. The new agreement calls for a shipment of not less than 600,000,000 pounds of Canadian bacon in the next 12 months.

Notes From the West

Constable Walter Dobson of Calgary visited with Mr. and Mrs. C. Byrt on Sunday.

The Elkton Willing Workers met at the home of Mrs. Evans last Thursday when two comforters were tied. The next meeting will be held at Mrs. Blain's Sr. on the 23rd.

John Toole and Colin Hogg of the R.C.A.F. Trades School were home over the long weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hogg visited with Mrs. E. Lowrie, and Miss Isobel Lowrie of Calgary was a week-end visitor at her home here.

Miss M. Monk of Calgary spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. J. Hosegood.

Burnside Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fritz and family of Erekine spent Thanksgiving holidays with relatives here.

Mrs. Ruth Eckel, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lyons and Howard, were Sunday visitors with Mrs. B. A. Woods and family.

The October meeting of the Lone Pine W.I. was held on Thursday evening last at the home of Mrs. Floyd Ahlgren with Mrs. W. Hugger as assistant hostess. A contest on flower names put on by Mrs. Ahlgren and was won by Mrs. B. A. Woods. Mrs. Emily Hunter won the draw and Mrs. Ruth Eckel the war savings certificate for this month. An auction sale added considerable to the funds. The members contributed 10c each to the federated W.I. war fund and 25c each to fill a ditty bag for a sailor in the merchant marine. The November meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Sam Elliot with Mrs. Bruce Sheils assisting.

Miss Joan and Clare Woods of Didsbury spent the weekend at their home here.

Mrs. J. Braender of Langdon is visiting her sons, Sandy and John here.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tidball of Three Hills were Friday visitors with Mrs. Edna Dowell.

Mrs. E. E. Tidball and Reuben Tidball of Carstairs spent Thanksgiving at the Fred Metz home.

Jack Boulton and Fred Metz were callers at Mr. Boulton's ranch at Fennigan last Friday.

Celina Dedels is spending a few days visiting Fred Metz.

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